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SUMMARY: SIX-MONTH ECONOMIC SUMMARY SHOWS INCREASES
IN MOST AREAS OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION/INVESTMENT.
OF PUBLISHED DATA, ONLY BUTTER PRODUCTION AND MILK
PROCUREMENT FELL SHORT OF JANUARY-JUNE 1977 LEVELS.
END SUMMARY.

1. SOWN AREA: REPORT SHOWS TOTAL SOWN AREA AT 217.9
MILLION HECTARES, COMPARED WITH 217.7 IN 1977. GRAIN
AREA INCREASED BY 1.4 MILLION HECTARES TO 131.7 MILLION.

2. PRODUCTION OF LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS: MEAT/EGG OUTPUT
OF GOVERNMENT SECTOR (STATE/COLLECTIVE FARMS, INTER-
FARM COMPLEXES) WAS REPORTED TO BE UP SIX PERCENT.
MILK PRODUCTION INCREASED ONLY marginally FROM JANUARY-
JUNE 1977 LEVELS.

3. PROCUREMENT OF LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS: STATE PURCHASES
OF MAJOR LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS WERE REPORTED AS FOLLOWS:
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- - - - 1978 AS
- - - JAN-JUNE JAN-JUNE PERCENT
- - - 1977 1978 OF 1977

MEAT (MIL. TONS, LIVE WT) 7.3 7.8 106.8
MILK (MIL. TONS) - 30.6 30.5 99.7

EGGS (BIL. PIECES) 19.5 20.9 107.2

4. LIVESTOCK INVENTORIES: JULY 1 LIVESTOCK NUMBERS (NON-PRIVATE) WERE UP 2 PERCENT (CATTLE), 7 PERCENT (PIGS), 1 PERCENT (SHEEP/GOATS), AND 8 PERCENT (POULTRY) AS REPORTED IN REFTL.

5. DELIVERY OF INPUTS: DELIVERY OF MINERAL FERTILIZERS TOTALED 40.9 MILLION TONS, UP 2.6 MILLION FROM JANUARY-JUNE 1977. PRODUCTION OF FEED ADDITIVES REACHED 1.3 MILLION TONS. DELIVERY OF EQUIPMENT WAS AS FOLLOWS (000 PIECES): TRUCKS (127), TRACTORS (182) - TOTALING 14.3 MILLION HORSEPOWER, GRAIN COMBINES (53), CORN-PICKERS (5.1), POTATO DIGGERS (5.8), BEEF DIGGERS (7), FORAGE HARVESTERS (24).

6. INVESTMENT: STATE AND COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT TOTALED 14.1 BILLION RUBLES, UP 4 PERCENT FROM THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1977. LAND IMPROVEMENT MEASURES ACCOUNTED FOR 3.1 BILLION RUBLES, UP 5 PERCENT. AN ADDITIONAL 260,000 HECTARES WERE BROUGHT UNDER IRRIGATION, 270,000 HECTARES WERE DRAINED, AND 2.9 MILLION HECTARES OF PASTURE RECEIVED SUPPLEMENTAL WATER. LIVESTOCK COMPLEXES ADDED 1.7 MILLION PLACES FOR LIVESTOCK AND 5.5 MILLION FOR POULTRY.

7. STATE PRODUCTION OF FARM SUPPLIES AND COMMODITIES WAS REPORTED AS FOLLOWS:

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ITEM	1978	JAN-JUNE 1977
TRACTORS (000 PIECES)	289	102
AGRIC MACHINERY (MIL RUBLES)	1,236	106
FEED/FORAGE EQUIP. (MIL RUBLES)	939	108
GRAIN COMBINES (000 PIECES)	56.3	108
COTTON HARVESTERS (000 PIECES)	4.7	103
MINERAL FERTILIZERS (MIL TONS)	50.3	104
CHEMICAL PLANT PROTECTANTS(000 TONS)	254	102
MEAT (MIL TONS)	4.3	108
SAUSAGE (MIL TONS)	1.5	103
BUTTER (000 TONS)	675	97
WHOLE MILK (MIL TONS)	12.7	103
VEGETABLE OIL (MIL TONS)	1.6	111

8. COMMENT: ABOVE DATA INDICATE GENERALLY STRONG PERFORMANCE IN THE MAJOR COMMODITIES WHICH CAN BE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE THROUGH DECEMBER IF GRAIN/FORAGE PRODUCTION CONDITIONS REMAIN AS FAVORABLE AS CURRENTLY PERCEIVED. EXCEPTION MAY BE VEGETABLE OIL PRODUCTION WHERE SHARP DOWNTURN COULD OCCUR IN THE LAST QUARTER IF DEVELOPMENT

OF SUNFLOWER CROP CONTINUES BEHIND SCHEDULE AND/OR
DISEASE SETS IN. LAGGING MILK/BUTTER PERFORMANCE IS
POSSIBLY THE RESULT OF FOCALIZED FEED CONSTRAINTS OR
A DIVERSION OF FLUID MILK/FATS TO CHEESE PRODUCTS AND
OTHER USES.

OUTLOOK FOR FULFILLMENT OF INPUT PLANS IS MIXED.
FERTILIZER DELIVERIES APPEAR TO BE AHEAD OF SCHEDULE,
AS DO TRACTOR DELIVERIES (THOUGH HORSEPOWER AT 78.6/
TRACTOR IS WELL SHORT OF THE 10TH PLAN GOAL OF 84.0).
UNLESS RATE INCREASES IN NEXT SIX MONTHS, DELIVERIES
OF TRUCKS AND GRAIN COMBINES WILL FALL WELL SHORT OF

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